

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect Species B, as shown in Figure 6B for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-6 and 10-15 are generic, Claims 8 and 17 are drawn to the elected species, and Claims 7, 9, 16, and 18 are withdrawn as reading on a non-elected species.

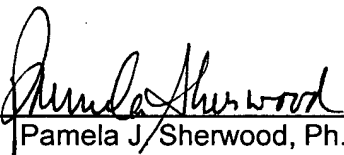
CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a Telephone Conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, she is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number STAN-219.

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